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March 18, 2003

Mr. David Lacoste  
 Public Service Commission of SC  
 Post Office Drawer 11649  
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Re: Approval of the Interconnection Agreement Negotiated by BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. and PBT Communications, Inc. pursuant to Sections 251, 252 and 271 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996  
 Docket No. 2000-279-C

Dear Mr. Lacoste:

Pursuant to Section 252(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. ("BellSouth") and PBT Communications, Inc. are submitting to the South Carolina Public Service Commission their negotiated agreement for the interconnection of their networks. The agreement was negotiated pursuant to Sections 251, 252 and 271 of the Act.

Pursuant to Section 252(e) of the Act, the Commission is charged with approving or rejecting the negotiated agreement between BellSouth and PBT Communications, Inc. within 90 days of its submission. The Commission may only reject such an agreement if it finds that the agreement or any portion of the agreement discriminates against a telecommunications carrier not a party to the agreement or the implementation of the agreement or any portion of the agreement is not consistent with the public interest, convenience and necessity. Both parties represent that neither of these reasons exists as to the agreement they have negotiated and that the Commission should approve their agreement.

The effective dates of this agreement are from March 19, 2003 until March 18, 2006.

Very truly yours,

s/C. Lesley Addis

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